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Enforcement

Report:

The Commission voted to recommend that the Attorney General take no further action on a 45-day citizen action letter that alleged **Dwight Pelz** failed to 1) timely report contributions and expenditures for his 2005 King County Council campaign and the disposition of surplus funds, and 2) include information about the open records inspection period on his candidate registration form. The Commission recommended no further action after considering staff's investigative findings that showed the 2005 Pelz King County Council campaign was discontinued after March 2004 when he became a candidate for Seattle City Council and that all reports were filed and available to the public at least one year prior to the 2005 election.

Reporting Modification:

The Commission granted a Personal Financial Affairs Statement (PDC Form F-1) reporting modification to **Lynne Dodson**, a candidate for State Representative, 43rd Leg. Dist., who requested an exemption from reporting all financial information relating to her spouse from whom she has been legally separated for three years.

The Commission granted a partial F-1 reporting modification to **Dory N. On**, Washington State Senate professional staff member, who requested an exemption from reporting all financial information relating to her spouse who lives in Maryland and from whom she has been separated for six months.

The Commission renewed reporting modifications, with no changes, for:

- Stanley Barer, Regent, University of Washington
- Joseph Delay, Member, Judicial Conduct Commission
- Deborah Ehrlichman, Director, Shoreline School District
- David Wilson, Director, Shoreline School District
- Washington State Democratic Central Committee
- Washington State Republican Party

Rulemaking

The Commission held public hearings and adopted language amending the following rules:

WAC 390-05-400 Changes in Dollar Amounts was amended to make inflationary adjustments to Initiative 134 limits that were not adjusted with the passage of ESSB 5034.

WAC 390-37-136 Production of Documents and Use at Hearing (adjudicative proceeding) was amended to update the document production schedule and procedural instructions for adjudicative proceedings before the Commission.

WAC 390-12-010 Public Disclosure Commission – Regular Meetings was amended to change the regular meeting schedule of the Commission from the fourth Tuesday to the fourth Thursday of each month.

The Commission also discussed potential amendments to **WAC 390-37-090 – Informal Settlement** and possible rulemaking for implementation of the new **Electioneering Communications Act** (Chapter 445, Laws of 2005).

Advisory Matters

The Commission agreed to revise **Interpretation 04-03, Servicemembers' Civil Relief Act** to meet state and federal standards.

The Commission finalized a response to the Washington Association of Sewer & Water Districts regarding whether RCW 42.17.130(3) allows an elected water-sewer board to support or oppose ballot propositions on specific topics. The Commission responded in the negative deferring to AGO 2006 No. 1.

The Commission meeting materials may be found at www.pdc.wa.gov under **Commission Meetings** at **Meeting Agendas and Materials**. For additional information concerning these issues contact Lori Anderson, Communications & Training Officer, at (360) 664-2737, toll free 1-877-601-2828 or e-mail at landerson@pdc.wa.gov.

The next special meeting of the Public Disclosure Commission is tentatively scheduled for March 22 & 23, 2006.
